

STANDARD PRECAUTIONS+

AIRBORNE ISOLATION

Prior to entering the room*:

*Visitors – see Nurse before entering





N95 OR PAPR

PATIENTS in AIRBORNE ISOLATION

- Place in a private Airborne Infection Isolation Room (AIIR)/Negative Pressure Isolation Room (NPIR) with DOOR CLOSED
 - Create work order for Facilities to change and monitor room pressurization daily—see ATD Standard (EOC Policy 3.1.2)
- Must REMAIN IN THE ROOM except for essential purposes (off-unit testing, surgical procedures, etc.)
- Must wear MASK (Not N95) over mouth and nose when outside the negative pressure environment

STAFF Caring for Patients in AIRBORNE ISOLATION

ISOLATION CADDY

Place caddy outside patient room • containing:

- N95 RESPIRATORS (various sizes)
- POWERED AIR PURIFYING RESPIRATORS (PAPR)
- THIS SIGN

- Clean hands prior to donning personal protective equipment (PPE)
- Wear fit-tested N95 or PAPR upon entry and while inside patient room or care area
- PPE Removal- PPE should be removed *outside* patient room or care area

WORKFLOW

- Clean hands prior to removing N95 or PAPR
- Grasp PPE in a manner that avoids contamination, remove and discard disposable PPE (Clean PAPR helmet with hospital-approved disinfecting wipe)
- Clean hands again after removal of PPE

High-Risk Aerosol-Generating Procedures (HRAGP)

Must wear PAPR when entering room during and 1 hour after HRAGP

Notify receiving department of isolation status prior to transport

HRAGPs include:Non-invasive ventilation (BIPAP/CPAP)Nebulized medicationsLaryngoscopyPFTsBronchoscopy/BALHigh Flow Nasal CannulaChest physiotherapyTracheostomyCPRManual ventilationHigh frequency ventilationIntubation/ExtubationOpen suctionAutopsy

NOT an HRAGP: Non-rebreather mask, Oropharyngeal or In-line suctioning, NG/OG placement, Coughing patient

See "Guidance for Use of Personal Protective Equipment for High Risk Aerosol Generating Procedures" https://ehs.ucsf.edu/respiratory-protection-program-0

TRANSPORT

- Patient wears mask (Not N95; pediatric patients unable to mask- cover crib with clean sheet), a clean hospital gown, and cleans hands prior to exiting patient room or care area
- Transporter removes PPE and cleans hands (per above workflow) prior to exiting patient room or care area
- For occupied Airborne Isolation rooms, don and doff PPE as above and clean per standard cleaning procedures
- Avoid room cleaning during and 1 hour after HRAGP

ROOM CLEANING

- On discharge, keep room closed and vacant for appropriate duration to allow complete air exchange (1 hour if air exchange rate unknown), then enter using standard precautions- no need for N95 or PAPR. *Note: If room entry required before specified time has elapsed, N95 or PAPR must be worn.*
- On discharge, Hospitality removes isolation sign when cleaning complete
- On discontinuation of isolation or patient discharge, Nursing removes and cleans isolation caddy
- Limit visitors to household members

VISITORS

- Offer mask or N95 with instructions
- Instruct visitors to clean hands before entering and exiting patient room or care area

For additional information, indications for, and discontinuation of isolation, refer to "Standard and Transmission-based Isolation Policy" and "Isolation Table" at http://infectioncontrol.ucsfmedicalcenter.org or contact Infection Prevention at 415-353-4343.

